copies and shall contain a complete statement setting forth facts and reasons upon which the request is based. The request shall be printed or otherwise legibly duplicated. Extra copies of electronically-filed papers need not be filed. Requests for an extension of time within which to file the request for review shall be filed with the Board in Washington, DC, and a certificate of service shall accompany the requests.

[39 FR 4080, Feb. 1, 1974, as amended at 40 FR 6204, Feb. 10, 1975; 51 FR 23748, July 1, 1986; 79 FR 74488, Dec. 15, 2015]

- § 102.72 Filing petition with general counsel; investigation upon motion of general counsel; transfer of petition and proceeding from region to general counsel or to another region; consolidation of proceedings in same region; severance; procedure before general counsel in cases over which he has assumed jurisdiction.
- (a) Whenever it appears necessary in order to effectuate the purposes of the Act, or to avoid unnecessary costs of delay, the general counsel may permit a petition to be filed with him in Washington, DC, or may, at any time after a petition has been filed with a regional director pursuant to §102.60, order that such petition and any proceeding that may have been instituted with respect thereto:
- (1) Be transferred to and continued before him, for the purpose of investigation or consolidation with any other proceeding which may have been instituted in a regional office or with him; or
- (2) Be consolidated with any other proceeding which may have been instituted in the same region; or
- (3) Be transferred to and continued in any other region, for the purpose of investigation or consolidation with any proceeding which may have been instituted in or transferred to such region; or
- (4) Be severed from any other proceeding with which it may have been consolidated pursuant to this section.
- (b) The provisions of §§ 102.60 to 102.71, inclusive, shall, insofar as applicable, apply to proceedings before the general counsel pursuant to this section, and the powers granted to regional directors in such provisions shall, for the

purpose of this section, be reserved to and exercised by the general counsel. After the transfer of any petition and any proceeding which may have been instituted in respect thereto from one region to another pursuant to this section, the provisions of this subpart shall, insofar as applicable, govern such petition and such proceedings as if the petition has originally been filed in the region to which the transfer was made.

(c) The regional director may exercise the powers in paragraph (a)(2) and (4) of this section with respect to proceedings pending in his region.

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## Subpart D—Procedure for Unfair Labor Practice and Representation Cases Under Sections 8(b)(7) and 9(c) of the Act

## § 102.73 Initiation of proceedings.

Whenever it is charged that any person has engaged in an unfair labor practice within the meaning of section 8(b)(7) of the Act, the regional director shall investigate such charges, giving it the priority specified in subpart G of this part.

## § 102.74 Complaint and formal proceedings.

If it appears to the regional director that the charge has merit, formal proceedings in respect thereto shall be instituted in accordance with the procedures described in §§ 102.15 to 102.51, inclusive, insofar as they are applicable, and insofar as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this subpart. If it appears to the regional director that issuance of a complaint is not warranted, he shall decline to issue a complaint, and the provisions of §102.19, including the provisions for appeal to the general counsel, shall be applicable unless an election has been directed under §§ 102.77 and 102.78, in which event the provisions of §102.81 shall be applicable.

## § 102.75 Suspension of proceedings on the charge where timely petition is filed.

If it appears to the regional director that issuance of a complaint may be